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Library News

New Staff

Rebecca Fields-Arden joined the staff in May as a research analyst. Rebecca earned her BA in English from the University of Pennsylvania and her law degree from the University of London, where she lived for several years. She currently lives in Gilbert with her 10-year-old daughter. Having traveled extensively throughout Europe, Africa, and Asia, Rebecca plans on spending all of her free time exploring Central and South America now that she is nearby.

Lauren Cochran is one of our newest Law Library Aides. She grew up in a small Ohio town called Poland, just outside of Youngstown. She moved to Columbus, Ohio where she attended Ohio State University. In 2002, Lauren graduated with a BA in Political Science. She moved to

Arizona in 2003, following her brother and parents. Lauren is currently working towards her Masters Degree in Public Administration.

Bobby Feller recently joined the staff as a Law Library Aide. She considers herself to be a true native San Diegan (Navy Brat) and hopes to get back there soon. Bobby says while its nice here in the winter, she has had enough with the heat and dryness. She misses seeing sunsets on the beach. She graduated from University of California, San Diego in 1998 with a BA in Anthropology and History and considered, among other things, attending library science school but never settled on actually applying anywhere. Bobby worked for 7+ years in the University of California libraries before deciding on attending culinary school at Scottsdale Culinary Institute. Bobby relocated to Scottsdale this past March and started school in April.

New Databases

The Law Library is pleased to announce the addition of Westlaw Patron Access to our research databases. Westlaw Patron Access provides case and statutory law for all 50 states; all state administrative codes; as well as federal statutory and case law. On Westlaw Patron Access you will also find a comprehensive construction law database; Hawkland's UCC series; *Couch on Insurance*; *Federal Practice and Procedure*; a forms database that includes a 4½ page listing of available forms; and both *Am Jur Trials* and *Proof of Facts*.

The Arizona Analytical Library includes the *Law of Evidence*; *McAuliffe's Civil Trial Practice*; *Community Property Law*; *Marriage Dissolution Manual*; *Juvenile Law and Practice*; *Civil Rules Handbook*; *Arizona*

Trial Handbook; the Arizona Legal Forms series and Arizona Corporate Practice.

Westlaw Patron Access is available from any of the Library's computers.

Periodical Collection

The Library's periodical collection is now 100% accessible. We apologize for the inconvenience the inaccessibility caused everyone. If you need a periodical, give us a call; we'll retrieve the material and have it waiting for you at the Circulation Desk.

Do You Know?

Find out how much you know about legal trivia.

1. What does de minimis non curat lex mean?
2. What is the origin of the term "red tape?"
3. What is known as "the American rule" regarding attorney's fees?
4. What three words start every session of the U.S. Supreme Court?
5. What was the annual salary of the chief justice of the United States in 1789: \$200, \$2,000 or \$4,000?

Reviews

Jury Service: Is Fulfilling Your Civic Duty a Trial?

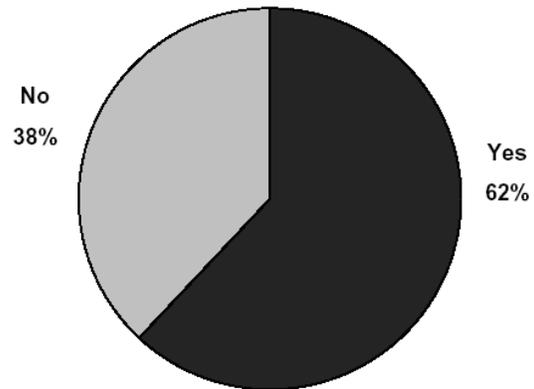
<http://www.abanews.org/releases/juryreport.pdf>

With all the news stories lately regarding jury duty, you might be surprised to learn that a recent survey showed that 84% of Americans agreed that jury duty is "an important civil duty that should be fulfilled, even if it happens to be inconvenient."

The American Bar Association used a market research company to conduct a survey regarding attitudes toward and

experience with jury service. The company, Harris Interactive, polled "a nationally representative sample of 1,029 adult Americans ages 18 or older." Sixty-two percent of those surveyed reported that they had been called for jury duty and of that 62%, sixty-three percent said they would want to serve again.

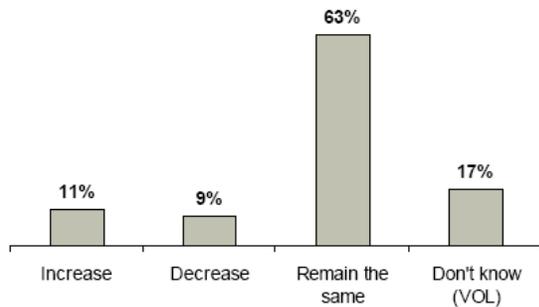
Whether Have Ever Been Called for Jury Service



When asked about their attitude toward jury duty, 63% felt that jury duty would not have a negative impact on their income with 75% holding the view that jury duty is not something to avoid. The poll also showed that "nearly two-thirds of Americans have been called for jury service – of which nearly half have actually served on a jury." Those who have served on a jury felt the experience was what they expected and their level of confidence in the justice system was the same as it was before they served (see chart on following page).

Responding to the poll, Robert J. Grey, Jr., president of the ABA, said "if we are to improve the response rate to (jury) summonses, we must work to strengthen Americans' understanding that the system they so respect works only when they are actively involved."

Level of Confidence in Justice System



The Pro Se/Unbundling Resource Center

www.abanet.org/legalservices/delivery/delunbund.html

The ABA's Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services has put together a website that will help lawyers, bar leaders, the judiciary, and court administrators develop guidelines on the unbundling of legal services and other consumer-related matters. The cite makes it clear that the it is not intended to assist those wanting to provide such services, but rather a way for law and policy makers to address this growing practice.

The popularity of unbundled legal services - where an attorney contracts to perform a limited amount of work for a client without actually representing the client - has lead to revisions in many state ethics codes and court rules. There are currently six states that have adopted new rules regarding unbundled legal services. They are California, Colorado, Florida, Maine, Washington, and Wyoming. The director of the standing committee encourages "the states to assess the potential for unbundling in their strategies to provide complete access to legal services."

The Unbundling Resource Center has links to articles, books and reports, case law, court rules, ethics opinions, ongoing Pro Se projects, and a listing of 29 state and local self-service centers.

Recent Arizona Cases

May v. Ellis and David

Supreme Court, No. CV-04-0025-PR
July 1, 2004

Jack and Shannon David filed a civil suit against James and Nancy May alleging that the Mays "engaged in fraud and odometer rollback when selling them an automobile." While the fraud case was pending, Mr. May died. The Davids then filed a claim against the estate.

The probate court ordered Mrs. May to disclose any non-probate assets by filing an amended inventory. The amended filing showed two life insurance policies, payable to Nancy May, each in the amount of \$500,000.00. The Davids then "filed a motion to restrict or bond the life insurance proceeds." The motion was granted but Nancy May had already spent the money. The trial court then ordered Mrs. May to account for the insurance proceeds and even threatened her with incarceration if she did not comply. The accounting was filed but the trial court "nonetheless reaffirmed its contempt order and took under advisement the issue of whether a forensic accounting was necessary."

Nancy May filed a special action with the Arizona Court of Appeals, which declined jurisdiction. May then filed a petition for review. In granting "review of this purely legal question because the issue is one of first impression and is of statewide importance," the high court wrote that since 1954, A.R.S. 20-1131(A), has exempted the proceeds of life insurance policies from claims against a decedent's estate. Writing for the court, Justice Hurwitz ruled that the trial erred by concluding A.R.S. 14-6102(A) was the controlling statute. That statute says, in part, that insurance proceeds can be used if an estate does not cover what is owed. In concluding, the Court wrote that the life insurance proceeds are not part of Mr. May's estate and as such are not subject to the claim filed by the Davids.

From Other Jurisdictions

U.S. v. Gementera

9th Circuit Court of Appeals, No. 03-10103
(August 9, 2004)

The defendant, Shawn Gementera, pled guilty to mail theft (18 *U.S.C.* 1708). The court imposed a sentence of 2 months incarceration and 3 years supervised release. As a condition of his release, Gementera was ordered to "perform 100 hours of community service, to consist of standing in front of a postal facility in the city and county of San Francisco with a sandwich board which in large letters declares: 'I stole mail. This is my punishment'." Gementera challenged the punishment saying it was a violation of the Sentencing Reform Act as well as a violation of his Eighth Amendment right to be free from cruel and unusual punishment.

Writing for the court, Judge O'Scannlain, ruled that pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act, "the statute explicitly authorizes the court to impose 'any other condition it considers to be appropriate'." The statute also says that the punishment must be "reasonably" related to the to crime; must involve "no greater deprivation of liberty than is reasonably necessary;" and must protect the public from further crimes by the defendant. Gementera argued that despite the meaning of the statute, the punishment imposed serve no purpose other than to humiliate him. Not so, the court wrote. The punishment imposed was done to rehabilitate the defendant and to "have a deterrent effect on both this defendant and others who might not otherwise have been made aware of the real legal consequences of engaging in mail theft." The court further reasoned that the sandwich board punishment was a chance for Gementera to "repair his relationship with society."

Addressing the Eighth Amendment argument, the judge wrote that "a particular punishment violates the Eighth Amendment if it constitutes on of those

modes or acts of punishment that had been considered cruel and unusual at he time the Bill of Rights was adopted." Both parties agreed, "shaming sanctions of far greater severity were common in the colonial era." Affirming the lower court's decision, the 9th Circuit is unaware of any case, which held that "shaming sanctions violate our Constitution's prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment."

Do You Know Answers

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1. The law doesn't bother with trifles.
2. Charles Dickens used it to describe the pink ribbon that tied barristers' bundles of papers.
3. Each side pays its own costs.
4. Oyez, oyez, oyez.
5. \$4,000.

Recent Articles

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